

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the Amendment filed January 21, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 7, 11, 20, 24, 31, 35, 37, 44, 48, 49, 58, 62, 69, 73 and 75.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 28 May 2002 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>01/21/2005</u> 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Consider claims 7,20,44,58. The nearest prior art as shown in Bodin or Gavrilovich fails to teach a method for rescuing one or more mobile station having potentially failing connections comprising: identifying the one or more mobiles having potentially failing connections, transmitting a forward multiple access rescue channel from the network, the rescue channel including a rescue channel multiple access synchronization message comprising the mobile identification and handoff information specific to each mobile having potentially failing connections, receiving the rescue channel at the one or more mobiles, handing off the one or more mobiles in accordance with the mobile identification and handoff information, and identifying one or more sectors that were receiving a particular mobile having a potentially failing connection with a higher signal strength than other sectors and specifying those one or more sectors in the new active set specific to that particular mobile.

Consider claims 11,24,31,35,37,48,49,62,69,73,75,. The nearest prior art as shown in Bodin or Gavrilovich fails to teach a method for rescuing one or more mobile station having potentially failing connections comprising: identifying the one or more mobiles having potentially failing connections, transmitting a forward multiple access rescue channel from the network, the rescue channel including a rescue channel multiple access synchronization message comprising the mobile identification and handoff information specific to each mobile having potentially failing connections, receiving the rescue channel from multiple sectors simultaneously at the one or more

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mobiles, handing off the one or more mobiles in accordance with the mobile identification and handoff information.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Philip J. Sobutka whose telephone number is 703-305-4825, after March 2005 the number will change to (571) 272-7887. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nay Maung can be reached on 703-308-7745, the fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9314 for regular communications and 703-872-9314 for After Final communications.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick Corsaro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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